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31 October, 1919

Sir R. A. Falconer,

President, University of Toronto

Dear Mr. President:

You will see by the enclosed letter from Dean Baker, of Syracuse University, that there is to be an important conference of United States foresters on 11 November. The United States Forester, Mr. Graves is trying to initiate a policy of the Government to control the cutting of lumber on all private lands. I understand that an enabling act was already to be introduced into Congress at the time of the signing of the Armistice. Mr. Graves thinks that the timberlands of the Eastern United States are so near exhaustion that it is imperative that the Government take control of them. One could get some very important points from a conference like this. I would like to have the Faculty of Forestry represented. I know that some time ago you had a fund at your disposal to pay traveling expenses for delegates to various meetings of this kind. Would anything be available in the present case for me or for Dr. White in case I would be unable to attend?

Respectfully yours,

R. W. Howe

Acting Dean

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The New York State College of Forestry
at Syracuse University,
Syracuse, N.Y.

21 October, 1919

Dr. C. D. Howe,
Department of Forestry,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada

Dear Dr. Howe:

On November 11 there will be held at Syracuse a Forestry Conference, the results of which we believe will mean a great deal to the future of Forestry in New York and throughout the East. Henry S. Graves, Chief U.S. Forester, will be present to address the Conference on a policy for the development of the forests of the State and the Nation. He will be replied to by a lumberman, representing the Empire State Forest Products Association and a forester from the State will then sum up the forestry situation in New York. The address in the evening will be given by a prominent business man who will discuss the use of lands and forests from the business man's standpoint.

We would like very much indeed to have you attend this Conference as we believe it will be one of the most interesting Conferences of its kind held here in the East in many years. The idea is to have as few formal papers on the program as possible, giving plenty of opportunity for discussion. We believe that more will result from frank discussion of the many interesting problems involved in the right management of our land and forests than from too many formal papers.

It will be a pleasure to have you with us.

Very truly yours,
(Sgd.) Hugh P. Baker

November 4th, 1919

Dr. C. D. Howe,
Acting Dean of the Faculty of Forestry.
Dear Dr. Howe:

Although I have not a great deal of money at my disposal I think I can arrange for the travelling expenses of a representative of the Faculty of Forestry and may attend the Conference of the United States Foresters on the 11th of November at Syracuse, N.Y.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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5 November, 1919

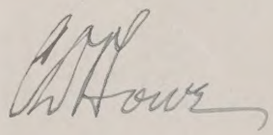
Sir R. A. Falconer,

President, University of Toronto

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your kind letter of 4 November; in which you make it possible for us to send a representative to the Forestry Conference at Syracuse on the 11th of November. It occurred to me after I had written you about it that it might be possible to take the money for this trip from the unexpended portion of the appropriation for lecturer.

Sincerely yours,



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1 December, 1919

Sir Robert A. Falconer,

President, University of Toronto

Dear President Falconer:

I enclose copy of Professor Millar's expense account on the occasion of his attending the Forestry Conference recently held at Syracuse University. You will recall that you thought it possible to set aside a certain sum in our budget for the purpose of paying the traveling expenses of special lecturers in the Forestry Faculty. If consistent with regulations, I would be pleased if this amount could also be charged to that fund.

Sincerely yours,

C. D. Howe.

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20 January, 1920

Sir Robert A. Falconer,

President, University of Toronto

Dear President Falconer:

Since seeing you yesterday I had a talk with Dr. White with reference to his offer, and he would like to make a decision within a week or ten days, so I am sending along my recommendation with regard to him with that of Professor Millar. I would appreciate it very much if in your order of business you would deal with Dr. White's case first, for, as you know, he has been longer in service here than Professor Millar and has always shown a very active interest in the School, having from the beginning given a great deal of thought and time to the betterment of the School. This has been done in an unobtrusive way, with no publicity, and has therefore remained overlooked and unrecognized. I wish therefore that action could be taken on his case prior to that of Professor Millar's.

Respectfully yours,

C H Howe

Acting Dean

University of Toronto
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20 January, 1920

Sir Robert A. Falconer,

President, University of Toronto

Dear President Falconer:

Professor White is considering an offer to go into administrative work in another forestry organization at an initial salary of $4,000.00. While Dr. White is an efficient administrator, yet his natural inclinations are toward university work, and I think he could be induced to remain in it if he felt a little more certain as to his future prospects here. He has already reached the limit of salary in his present grade, that of Assistant Professor. If he could be assured that he would pass into the next grade, that of Associate Professor, and be subject to its natural promotions, I think he would be satisfied to remain. I would therefore recommend that he be promoted to the grade of Associate Professor at the beginning of the next fiscal year, 1 July, 1920.

Respectfully yours,

E. J. Howe

Acting Dean

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20 January, 1920

Sir Robert A. Falconer,

President, University of Toronto

Dear President Falconer:

Professor Millar is considering an invitation to enter private employment. One of the inducements is a salary of $7,000.00, with field expenses. He has intimated to me that before giving his final decision in the matter he would like to know in general what his status would be in the University during the next few years. As I understand the present schedule of salaries, he has reached the maximum under his present grade of Assistant Professor. Because of his family situation and because the present offer, if accepted, would entail travel in distant foreign lands, his natural inclination is to remain here; but he feels that he cannot in justice to the additional expenses to which he is subject because his family of young children is living with relatives in the States remain very long at his present rate of salary. He has intimated to me, therefore, that if he could be assured of passing into the next grade, that of Associate Professor, and be subject to its natural promotions, he would give this new offer less consideration.

It would be very difficult indeed, practically impossible from the Canadian supply, to fill Professor Millar's place with a man who equals him in experience and in teaching qualities. I would therefore recommend that he be made Associate Professor at the beginning of the next fiscal year.

Respectfully yours,

E. J. Howe

Acting Dean

January 23rd, 1920

Dr. C. D. Howe,
Acting Dean, Faculty of Forestry,
University of Toronto.

Dear Professor Howe:

At a meeting of the Board held yesterday it was agreed that I should be authorised to tell Professor J. H. Faite that he would be promoted on July first next from an Assistant Professorship to an Associate Professorship.

Yours sincerely,

President.

University of Toronto
TORONTO, CANADA

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15 April, 1920

Sir Robert A. Falconer,

President, University of Toronto

Dear Mr. President:

In revising our Calendar for the coming year, I find that,in accordance with your letter of 23 January, I can indicate Dr. White as Associate Professor, but I have not been informed as yet whether I can indicate Professor Millar as such. If action has been taken on my memorandum of 20 January, I would be pleased if you could let me know.

Respectfully yours,

C. H. Howe

Acting Dean

April 15th, 1920

Acting Dean C. D. Howe,
Faculty of Forestry,
University of Toronto.

Dear Dean Howe:

I received authority from the Board to have Professor Millar advanced also along with Dr. White as Associate Professor in Forestry from the beginning of next July.

I am glad to know that in my absence you had a satisfactory interview with the Premier.

Yours sincerely,

President.